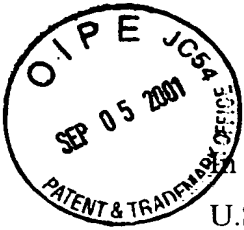


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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Examiner's Office Action, dated April 6, 2001, be extended for two (2) months to September 6, 2001.

A Request for Filing Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) is filed concurrently herewith.

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